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Dear Dr. Henney,

We are writing to ask you to support the (SPI (Center for Science in the Public Interest) petition against sub-therapeutic uses of antibiotics in livestock. Turkeys and chickens have been found in U.S. supermarkets harboring Campylobacter, the most common cause of foodborne disease in the U.S., and resistant to fluoroquinolones. This poses a risk for the general population and especially for those allergic to sulfa drugs who are given the fluoroquinolones instead for soft tissue infections. They as well as other patients with allergies already have their potential use of antibiotics curtailed and certainly don't need to have to use the "bigger guns" for needless bacterial infections from foods. And, more importantly with the use of these antibiotics in livestock we are developing a population of bacteria's resistant to numerous antibiotics. C 2038

Thank you for your time + consideration sincerely. Lynn + Harrison Houston

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